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SUBJECT: GOVERNMENT CANDIDATES FOR NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

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SUMMARY: GOP'S POLITICAL MOVEMENT, ANP, HAS INCLUDED QUARTER OF CAETANO CABINET, SPRINKLING OF WOMEN, AND HANDFUL OF PROMINENT NATIONAL FIGURES IN GENERALLY CONSERVATIVE AND UNINSPIRING LIST OF CANDIDATES FOR NATIONAL ASSEMBLY. ANP'S FIRST MAJOR CAMPAIGN EVENT TOOK PLACE OCTOBER 2. END SUMMARY

1. GOP-CONTROLLED POLITICAL MOVEMENT, ANP, HAS PUBLICIZED NAMES OF ALL ITS 150 CANDIDATES FOR OCTOBER 28 NATIONAL ASSEMBLY ELECTIONS. ANP LIST NOW INCLUDES SEVEN MEMBERS OF CABINET (VERSUS ONLY ONE AMONG 1969 CANDIDATES): MINISTERS OF HEALTH, FOREIGN AFFAIRS, INTERIOR AND FINANCE; SECRETARIES OF STATE FOR LABOR AND

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INDUSTRY, AND UNDER SECSTATE FOR HEALTH. LIST

INCLUDES SEVEN WOMEN (INCLUDING HEALTH UNDER SECSTATE), VERSUS THREE LAST TIME. FIFTY-SEVEN INCUMBENTS HAVE BEEN RE-NOMINATED, AND THIRTEEN DEPUTIES FROM PREVIOUS LEGISLATURES WHOM CAETANO HAD PASSED OVER IN 1969 HAVE BEEN RESURRECTED.

2. ASIDE FROM CABINET MEMBERS, ANP IS PRESENTING FEW PROMINENT PERSONALITIES. IN ADDITION TO THOSE MENTIONED REFTEL, BEST KNOWN ARE DANIEL VIERA BARBOSA, HEAD OF NATIONAL DEVELOPMENT BANK; CARLOS AMARAL NETO, INCUMBENT ASSEMBLY PRESIDENT; ANGOLA GOVERNOR-GENERAL SANTOS E CASTRO; MANUEL HOMEM DE MELO, PUBLISHER OF LISBON DAILY A CAPITAL; AND ANP CHIEF ELMANO ALVES. (ALVES RECENTLY EXPLAINED ABSENCE OF WORKERS FROM ANP LIST BY SAYING WORKERS ARE ALREADY WELL REPRESENTED IN CORPORATIVE CHAMBER.)

3. IN ADDITION TO MOTA AMARAL, (REFTEL), INCUMBENT "LIBERAL WING" DEPUTY JOSE DA SILVA IS AGAIN RUNNING ON ANP SLATE.

4. ALTHOUGH CAETANO TV ADDRESS OF SEPTEMBER 27 (LISBON 3578) WAS REAL ANP KICKOFF, FIRST FORMAL CAMPAIGN EVENT WAS RALLY IN LISBON THEATER EVENING OF OCTOBER 2.
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